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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 19, 2006, in connection with the above referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.